

# NEGROES DESERVE JUSTICE

**Treatment Of Our Citizens Of African Descent, Blackest Page In Our National History, Says Mrs. Howard Gould**

## WHY SHE SUPPORTED BEVERLY RANSOM

New York City. A great deal of comment has been caused by Mrs. Howard Gould's enthusiastic advocacy of the election of the Rev. Beverly Ransom to represent the North in the campaign for congress. This is a man of culture, wealth and refinement, who is an ardent Suffragist, made speeches for Dr. Ransom, and urged the colored people to stand solidly behind him. Dr. Ransom did not receive enough signatures, because of his late entry into the campaign, to be placed on the regular ballot. His chosen one, who independently and with his name having been written in, has received only two votes.

Mrs. Gould's appearance and earnest speech at a mass meeting in Zion Church, on the evening the election was held, in favor of Dr. Ransom's candidacy are

Prompted by Conscience  
Interviewed by a reporter, Mrs. Gould made the following statements:  
"I am afraid I can hardly explain in terms that will carry conviction. Frankly, I merely acted in accord with the deepest and most sincere promptings of my conscience. When I tell you that I am a mother, a sister, a friend, a woman of Commonwealth, N. C. you will understand that I have no theories of race equality to exploit.  
"I want to see the Negro in America get simple justice and an opportunity to develop his capabilities for good and useful citizenship. To my

...I have witnessed with a sad heart the suppression of Negro men and women in the Southern States, and in many instances my recent visit to various sections of the South brought fears to

my eyes. The lack of educational opportunities and the scant political recognition is no less than appalling. I do believe that the Negro's only hope in gaining full citizenship and recognition as a man rests in his political representation through the members of his own race. This is an axiom, and

if they would only realize their power, co-operate and concentrate their efforts in a common cause. I am aware of this defect, and it is my aim to lend every aid, influence and effort in securing their rights, and to create a true feeling of sympathy for the

**Fairness of Demand**

Mrs. Gould said she did not know the candidate at all well. She had last week a statement of his platform and had been impressed with the fairness of the demand for a section where there are more Negroes than anywhere else in like area, in the world for representation in Congress.

**Lynchings Still Sickness**

Mrs. Gould continued:

"As I have said before, it sickness me to the soul to read frightful news

counts of Negro lynchings in the South for supposed offenses which a white man might commit with impunity.

"It is worth remembering that the boggy of racial equality has two sides to it. In my studies of the problem, and I have lived in the South and known it as only a Southerner can, I

have found that there are more white men ready to break down race lines and cohabit with black women than there are black women desirous of living with white men."

should not give the Colored children equal advantage to acquire an education as the white children. It is a short-sighted policy to follow any other plan if our country is to be raised to its highest power."

**Masons of High Degree Will  
Observe Easter Day  
First Time To Conduct Public  
Ceremony**

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